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## NEWSLETTER OF THE MIRACLE ASSOCIATION

Here we are once again at the end of the open meeting season and what a season it has been. Petrol lept up in price earlier in the year and through this quite a few events suffered a shortage of entries, however, in complete contrast, Leigh S.C., had the biggest ever turnout for an open meeting.

Sadly this last year has not seen any rallies or events for cruising sailors or if it has they did not let us know about it. Are there any of you cruising folk out there? If so let us hear from you.

The Nationals this year were held at a superb venue at Royal Plymouth Corinthian Yacht Club and the weather was very kind to us. The only disappointment was the fact that we had a third less boats entered this year compared to last year. At the time of writing this page negotiations are going on over next years venue and dates. It is hoped that this will be finalised before distribution of this newsletter so that we can let you all know early.

November 10th & 11th were the dates for the Welsh dinghy exhibition where we had a Miracle stand. The Saturday was fairly quiet but Sunday was pretty hectic with quite a few enquiries, may we hope for a couple of fleets to spring up in Wales in the future months?

The forthcoming year is looking good so far, with quite a number of open meetings already finalised, you will find a list inside and also there will be a rally at Rutland Water S.C.

At last we too are back on target with Halo, having had some ups & downs this year and this is the fourth issue as promised. As from now photographs will be published in Halo, black and white contributions gratefully accepted but we can't return them.

As you will see as you read this issue, we had a shortage of material, so how about some more of you putting pen to paper for us. The latest number boat to be sold at Bell Woodworking is 2777 so there are an awful lot of us about. Whilst on the subject of numbers we have approximately 600 members in the Association, so, if you know anyone who owns a Miracle but is not a member of the Association try and get them to join so that we can broaden our horizons.

All that's left now is for me to wish you all Happy Christmas and good sailing in 1980, closing date for next Halo is FEBRUARY 4th.

Alan Brown,  
Editor.

## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

As we go to press the membership stands at 634. An improvement of approximately 100 over the same time last year. 66% of last year's members have renewed their membership which is considerably better than previous years, a result perhaps of the recent restriction of 'Halo' circulation to members only. One result of this restriction is that we no longer have contact with new boat owners. This probably explains the disappointing growth in new members - considerably down on previous years. We now rely on our existing members for recruitment.

The 'league table' published in the last 'Halo' shows the number of Association Members in each club. If the number of Miracles in your club is greater than the number in the 'league table' then it is time you did some chasing. Ask your new recruits, if they have joined the Association yet. If not, either let them use the subscription from this issue or run off a few copies.

Can I remind members of Fleet numbers 11, 12, 13, 14 and 17 that they are still not identified. Please can the Fleet Captains of these numbered Fleets please write to me to confirm their registration and update their Fleet particulars.

John Wilson.

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OPEN MEETINGS 1980.

MARCH 8th Nathan Pursuit Draycott S.C.  
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Sat. 15th Draycott Water Sailing Club  
Allan Batch, 67 Fisher Avenue, Rugby CU22 5HW.

APRIL

Sat. 19th Datchet Water S.C. Open Meeting.

MAY

Sun. 11th Crosby S.C.  
Robert Miller, 2 Somerset Road, Waterloo, Liverpool. L22 2BJ.

Sat. 17th Redditch Sailing Club  
John Wilson, 151 Finstall Road, Bromsgrove, Worcs.

Sun. 18th Wilsonian Sailing Club  
Boh. Fitzpatrick, 78A Maidstone Road, Rainham, Kent.

26th Rally Rutland S.C.  
Colin Edward, 36 Mellowship Road, Coventry CU5 7BY.

Sat. 31st )  
JUNE ) Northern Area Championship North Lincs. S.C.  
Philip Twining

Sun. 1st )  
7th ) Sovereign S.C.  
Annual Regatta  
8th ) Miracles Welcome

Sat. 14th )  
Sun. 15th ) Southern Area Newhaven & Seaforth  
Roger Smith, 38 Downs Valley Road, Woodingdean, Brighton BN2 6RF

Sat. 21st )  
Sun. 22nd ) South Western Area Sutton Bingham Sailing Club  
Alan Brown, 73 St. Mary's Crescent, Yeovil, Som. BA21 5RR

Sat. 28th )  
Sun. 29th ) Club Open Newhaven & Seaforth  
Roger Smith, 38 Downs Valley Road, Woodingdean, Brighton, BN2 6RF

JULY 5th }  
6th } SHROPSHIRE S.C. OPEN MEETING

Sat. 12th N. Lincs. S.C.  
P. Skilton, 30 Woodlands Drive, Broughton, BRIGG, S. Humberside

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MINUTES OF THE MIRACLE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ROYAL CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB, PLYMOUTH, JULY 1979

Last year's minutes at Ullswater Yacht Club. Everyone received a copy of the minutes which represented a true record. Alan Brown and John Wilson proposed and seconded as read.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES NOT COVERED ON AGENDA

ITEM 3 - Chairman's Report

During the past year the Association has had a very difficult time.

The London Dinghy Exhibition got out of hand and the Association may suffer loss because of the damage caused.

There were 201 new members making total of 589 which is 70-80 more than last year.

During the year as a result of the spinnaker, two of the Committee, the Chief Measurer, Brian Matthews, and the Treasurer, Sam Brookes resigned. Placed on record. Thanks for their work on previous years. This has left the Committee short. In the absence of Sam and Brian, Committee members have to attend every meeting for a quorum.

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There have been problems experienced in getting Newsletter to everyone. The previous method of addressograph proved not to be a good idea. A new scheme should be instituted using a better service. It was asked if members had received Newsletter 13 and to give names afterwards if not received. The Newsletter did not appear as regularly as liked. It has been a bit behind times. Four times a year.

Before closing chairman's address, thanks to Association members. Hope for double membership next year. We will do all we can but we need your help.

ITEM 4 - Treasurer's Report

Sam Brookes did books until a month ago. At this point in time the Association is worth £4,000. This may seem to clash with proposal for increasing subscriptions but as it works out, Halo costs about £500 per issued, £4,000 would merely give us 8 issues of Halo.

ITEM 5 - Proposals for Changes to Association Rules

Item 1 - Rule 5 - That the Committee members be raised from six full members to nine full members. The reason for this is the happenings in the past year. There were only six Committee members and when two resigned we were left with only 4. Quorum is laid down in Rules as 5.

Rule B should be amended to allow nine Committee members than six.

The present Committee has agreed to serve again.

- Item 2 - Rule 4(A) refers - Delete rule 4(A) and substitute the centreboard and rudder blade should be made of wood.
- Proposed by David Southwell  
Seconded by A. Sinkinson. Not Carried.
- Item 2 - Rule 11 refers - That jib hanks as now fitted to the jib become an optional fitting.
- Proposed by B. Fitzpatrick  
Seconded by Peter Skilton. Carried.
- Item 3 - Rule 15 refers - That the measurements of Miracle dinghies be carried out only by measurers registered with the Class Association.
- Proposed by B. Matthews  
Seconded by B. Fitzpatrick. Carried.
- Item 4 - Proposal to add Rule 4(H) - Packing of space between centreboard and centreboard sides is allowed by means of any flat material applied to centreboard in such a way that the centreboard shall not protrude below the keel with the centreboard in any position nor shall the packing piece be less than 3" radius measured from the centre.
- Proposed by B. Matthews  
Seconded by B. Fitzpatrick. Carried but amended.
- Item 5 - Proposal to add Rule 4(I) - That packing of space between rudder and stock cheeks does not extend beyond the designed contour of the case.
- Proposed by B. Matthews  
Seconded by B. Fitzpatrick. Carried.

Election of Officers - Present Committee have agreed to stand again.

Peter Skilton, Bob Fitzpatrick, John Wilson, Alan Brown, Peter Nunn and Frank Webber.

The three additional Committee members to be named later.

Geoff. Hewitt suggested Saturday Committee meetings.

It was asked that a list of Sailing Clubs and Club Captains' addresses be provided.

Meeting Closed.

AGM PROPOSALS HAVE NOT BEEN PASSED BY MIRROR GROUP NEWSPAPERS YET AND UNTIL THEY ARE YOU SHOULD NOT IMPLEMENT THEM. Ed.



## OPEN MEETING REPORT

Leigh (Lincs.) S.C., the home of the country's largest Miracle fleet held their Open Meeting on Sunday 30th September, attracting an entry of 34 boats including three area champions.

An overcast sky with wind strength's varying 3 to 4 produced some first class racing with the best 2 out of 3 races to count.

The first race produced an excellent start from Paul Taylor (N. Lincs. S.C.), establishing an early lead, chased hotly by local helm David Southwell with Andrew Sawyer (Winsford S.C.) finishing third.

The second race produced another race winning performance by Taylor with John Wilson (Redditch S.C.) gaining second spot with David Southwell finishing third, A. Sawyer fourth.

With the overall winner decided the battle was on for second place between Southwell, Wilson and Sawyer.

Just as the gun went for the final race the wind shifted to give the starboard end starters the best position on the line which John Wilson capitalised on with a flying start. David Southwell, who found himself at the wrong end of the line, had to work himself through the leading boats to establish second position for most of the race and in attempting to cover his position from Taylor allowed Paul Fitton, Leigh S.C., to snatch second place behind Wilson on a shortened course.

The first three boats being sailed by the area champions.

### Overall Positions:-

1202	1st	Paul Taylor	North Lincs Sailing Club
562	2nd	John Wilson	Redditch " "
2713	3rd	David Southwell	Leigh " "
1289	4th	Paul Fitton	Leigh " "
2345	5th	Andrew Sawyer	Winsford " "
2026	6th	Frank Jones	Leigh " "

Dennis Southwell,  
Miracle Class Captain, Leigh S.C.,  
183 Flixton Road,  
Flixton, Manchester.

30.9.79.

This report was sent to Yachts and Yachting and was received there on 4.10.79, and was not published. The letter from Yachts and Yachting returning the article is printed below.

Dear Mr. Southwell,

Thank you for your report of the Miracle Open Meeting held at Leigh Sailing Club which we received on 4th October.

The press day for events that took place on September 30th was October 2nd for publication in our October 12th issue. It was not, therefore, possible to publish your report.

I enclose a copy of a sheet giving details of the presentation of reports which

I hope you will find useful in the future.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Cook, Editor,  
Yachts and Yachting.

4th October, 1979.

Following this P. Nunn discussed the situation with P. Cook and asked D. Southwell to re-submit his report, which D. Southwell did.

The net result was a second letter and rejection of the report as printed below.

Dear Mr. Southwell,

Thank you for your letter re-submitting your report of the Leigh Miracle Open Meeting.

Peter Nunn has not been in touch with us about this and I would suggest that you appraise him of the contents of my letter of October 4th so that he understands the situation.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Cook, Editor,  
Yachts and Yachting.

15th October, 1979.

BE WARY OF YOUR DATES FOR SUBMISSION OF REPORTS TO YACHTS AND YACHTING NEXT YEAR.

I personally have never had any problems having S.W. Area reports published. Ed.

#### LETTERS

Dear Editor,

#### No Spinnakers for Geordie!

Wor lass is the crew (and skipper) of oor boat. The other day I told her the Club are to allow spinnakers on Miracles. The conversation went like this:

Me: 'The lads are aa'll buying spinnakers for their boats'

Wor Lass: 'Spin.... wots? Spinners! Oo they're tak'in up fishin'.....'

Me: 'No, SPINNAKERS not spinners. That's a sail for pullin' the boat along. Like the ones Claire Francis has on her boat.....'

Wor Lass: 'Noo hey, we'r not buying a boat the size of Claire Francis' and am not ganin' prancin' about the deck like her.....'

Phew. I'm having difficulties! It took lang enough to explain what a spin.... is, and it would take TEN years to teach her to use one. Do you think you could make sure there are some races which don't need spinnakers - that's the only way Me and Wor Lass can hope to compete nationally.

Yours hopefully,

John (Geordie) Clasper. MML673.  
South Shields Sailing Club.  
St. Andrew's House, Borough Road,  
Jarrow, Tync & Wear. NE32 5XW.

FROM A COMPETITOR.

MIRACLES EN MASS AT LEIGH OPEN.

The last overcast day in September was quite a day on the Flash at Leigh.

33 Halo carrying Miracles carved the slate grey water into a turbulent froth as the Class flag stretched on the mast of the committee boat. Then the shuffled pack came to order and as the gun echoed from the coal bank, the boats were away into the teeth of a fresh breeze.

The cries of "Starboard" came thick and fast as the crews fought against the heel. With plates digging deep, the Miracles sliced up the water, zigzagging on the wind shifts till the windward mark was left to starboard and then sped with creaming wakes to the first of four gybe marks.

Booms whammed over as heads ducked and wet feet slid and pushed to counter power with weight. Then like a gaggle of demented geese, the Miracles surged downwind to the next of the gybes.

In such competitive close company the calls for water were assertive and the outside boat had a long way to go.

It says much for the Miracle, with the varied levels of skill in the fleet, that in all the three exciting races, there was not one capsized.

After the last gybe there was one brief, fast reach then it was plate down, haul in, and a long strenuous beat to the line.

Paul Taylor won both 1st and 2nd races but in the last race John Wilson gained the lead and gave a perfect demonstration of sailing from the front.

David Southwell (our Midland Area champion) sailed consistently well for his 3rd place and Paul Fitton just edged a skilful Andrew Sawyer out of 4th.

Eleven visitors and no less than 22 Leigh boats crossed the line to give what we believe is the biggest Miracle Open to date.

The Area Championship Rules were applied and spinnakers were not allowed. They were not missed as the two sail rig proved exciting enough for all taking part.

We thank all the participants, particularly the visiting helms and crews. May we see more of you next year to prove that

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## ENDEAVOUR TROPHY

51, Bincote Road,  
Enfield,  
Middx.

Dear Alan,

Herewith something on the Endeavour,  
thought this might fill a corner in  
Helo.

Best wishes,

Harry Frangnell. MM.2785.

The Endeavour Trophy is an annual event  
in which the champions (or runners-up)  
from the major dinghy classes are  
invited to compete in order to find the  
"Champion of champions".

The venue is Burnham on Crouch in  
wildest Essex and this year was held  
over the weekend of 13th/14th October  
in G.P.14 dinghies.

Having received an invitation to  
represent the Miracle Association we  
(my son, John and I) started the process  
of borrowing a suitable boat. This  
proved to be much more difficult than  
expected as naturally the owners of  
competitive G.P.14's, which may be  
worth up to £1,500, tend to be  
reluctant to loan them to people  
personally unknown to them. However,  
with the help of the G.P.14 Area rep.,  
we eventually obtained the use of a  
boat which turned out to be a good  
performer.

We arrived at Burnham on the Friday  
evening at about 9.30p.m. and sorted  
out our accommodation - helm and crew  
in sailing club and rest of family in  
motor caravan in the car park and  
retired to bed early as the first race  
on Saturday was scheduled for 9.30a.m.

Saturday morning came - up at 6.15a.m.  
to get boat rigged and on launching  
trolley before breakfast at 7.30., and  
then onto the water at 8.45 - trying  
to remember how to sail a GP. (I used  
to own one about 5 years ago). It is  
approximately two miles from the  
slipway to the sailing area, which is  
a reasonably wide stretch of water  
where the River Roach joins the Crouch,  
about two miles from the North Sea, and  
were scheduled to have two races before  
returning for lunch.

**Race 1.** The 28 competitors started on  
a slightly biased, rather short line  
which caused a few collisions and much  
shouting! After a reasonable start we  
got to the windward mark in about 12th  
place. The wind being about 2/3 suited  
our total crew weight of 19 stones and  
we managed to pick off several boats  
and finished in 6th place. The winner  
was the G.P.14 Champion, Richard  
Eutaugh with Lawrie Smith sailing for  
the fireballs second.

**Race 2.** Due to an indifferent start and  
bad reading of wind shifts/tide we  
managed only 17th in this race which was  
won by Lawrie Smith from Simon Relf,  
Express Class.

**Race 3.** My moment of glory! The start  
near the north bank was against the tide  
and with the first mark down the river  
on the opposite bank most boats favoured  
crossing the stream early and tacking up  
the south shore. We elected to start  
near to the north bank out of the worst  
of the tide and stayed on this shore  
until we could nearly lay the windward  
mark. This certainly paid off as we led  
at the windward mark by about 50 yards.  
This lead was maintained to the end of  
the first lap when I decided to cross  
the tidal stream early. Needless to say  
it was a mistake and mistakes in that  
sort of company are severely punished -  
not result I finished 11th.

At the end of the Saturday racing we lay  
in 10th place overall and were not feeling  
too unhappy as we knew the boat was going  
well and there was still tomorrow!

The 4th, 5th and 6th races were due to be  
held before a late lunch on Sunday and it  
was another early start with the 4th race  
at 9.30a.m.

Conditions early comprised a force 2/3  
breeze and mist with visibility down to  
about 300 yards. The mist, however,  
cleared in time for the last race to the  
relief of the race officers.

**4th Race.** The wind had increased to  
force 3 + which may not sound much but  
anyone who has sailed a G.P., knows  
that it must be kept flat. This we  
unfortunately were unable to do and we  
slowly dropped from 12th at start of the  
race to 24th at the end.

**5th Race.** At the start the wind had  
moderated and on the first beat we were  
passing boats and actually catching the  
leaders. Unfortunately the stronger  
winds returned during the second lap and  
we slumped from 6th to 15th at the finish.  
At this stage John and I were feeling the  
effects of battling with the G.P.14 sail  
area and decided that if the wind got any  
harder we would not start in the last  
race. In the event it blew a force 4/5  
and we set off on the two mile beat back  
to the sailing club. (First into the  
showers and first into lunch).

When the results were analysed we were  
placed 16th overall and felt that  
although we knew we should have done  
better we were not disgraced.

The event was won by Lawrie Smith  
(Fireball) with Richard Eutaugh (G.P.14)  
2nd and Mike Holmes (Albacore) 3rd.

This is an event not to be missed by any  
future Miracle champions as it is one of  
the few events where it is possible to  
"single with the mighty" and some of the  
mighty make mistakes too!!!

In retrospect, I made the fundamental  
mistake of entering the event with a  
crew who was about 3 to 4 stones  
lighter than was needed - still there  
may be another chance one year?

## CLUB NEWS

### FLEET No. 3 NEWS

#### WILSONIAN SAILING CLUB

This year has been a memorable one for  
the Miracle fleet here at Hoc in Kent,  
being granted Fleet racing from the  
beginning of the season for the first  
time.

We started the year with an excellent  
pre-season evening meeting at Sam  
Brookes house at Otford. The entire  
fleet turned out and made full use of  
Ada Brookes hospitality. It was at  
this meeting we decided on a two week-  
end "teach in" to be held on the week-  
ends of 12th-13th May and 10th-20th  
May, 1979.

I think Sam, Bryan Matthews and myself  
were more than surprised at the interest  
and response from the fleet to be  
enlightened on the pros and cons of the  
Miracle and its capabilities.

We watched from the water in rescue  
boats, the way different helms went  
about sailing a triangular course,  
beating, reaching, running, after first  
comparing the way some boats were rigged,  
mast rake, jacking cleats, outhauls,  
cunningham fixings etc.

One thing in particular surprised me at  
least a third of the fleet of 18 failed  
to hoist the mainsail fully. Some were  
as much as 8 to 10 inches short of the  
upper Black band!!!

The newcomers to sailing quickly grew in  
confidence. We demonstrated and indeed  
took the less familiar helms and crews  
through the capsize drill. (RTA method).

It is now very rare for a Miracle sailor  
to not race because it's blowing a bit,  
because, I think, of the confidence  
gained from our teach in.

The result has been a voluntary whip  
round of fleet members and over £20 was  
donated, with which we have bought a  
silver plated Cup, for one of our  
Miracle series.

We are looking forward to 1980 and I  
hope a bigger fleet for Number 3.

I hope to see new and old faces on the  
OPEN circuit next year and you'll be  
made very welcome at Wilsonian Sailing  
Club Miracle Open, May 18th 1980. Why  
not give us a visit?

Bob Fitzpatrick, 1999,  
Miracle Fleet Captain,  
78A, Maidstone Road,  
Rainham, Kent.

FULL NATIONALS RESULTS.

SAIL NO.	BOAT NAME	HELM	SPECIES	CREW	CLUB	Practice Reco	1st RACE			2nd RACE			3rd RACE			4th RACE			5th RACE				
							Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.	Pos.
3	Origin of the Species	Stephen Oray		Philip Oray	MSC	RTD	29	29	17	17	17	RTD	49	49	46	6	6	49	52	4	4	15	56
63	Daedalus	Judith Miller		Paul Collin	SSC	26	15	15	8	8	25	25	25	23	23	23	33	33	48	12	12	16	60
124	Hot Dog	Steve Fischer		Mark Northcott	ICISSC	DNS	30	30	28	28	27	27	30	55	DNS	52	52	85	85	DNS	52	41	137
126	Ann Friday	Edwin Francis		Maurice Francis	SSSC	40	41	41	46	46	41	41	46	82	45	45	46	127	127	44	44	46	171
155	Snoopy	Jane Outhel*		Liz Claibornbury*	RPCIC	29	13	13	10	10	28	28	23	23	21	21	23	24	RTD	48	21	72	
316	Paula	Derek Beere		Robert Beere*	ICISSC	1	11	11	15	15	RTD	49	49	26	8	8	49	34	10	10	9	44	
322	Kaydit	Derek May*		Jocelyn May	BSC	39	32	32	45	45	29	29	45	61	44	44	45	105	42	42	43	147	
350	Bent A Mouth	Ryan Richardson		Georgina Richardson	ICISSC	DNS	DNS	52	DNS	52	DNS	52	52	104	DNS	52	52	156	DNS	52	51	208	
392	Pink Panther	Peter Sturgeess		Christopher Sturgeess*	SVC	4	2	2	1	1	3	3	3	24	4	4	4	4	52	5	5	2	92
403	Eale Dolly	David Southwell		Ian Southwell	LSC	2	8	8	20	20	DISQ	54	54	28	20	20	54	48	13	13	17	61	
431	Spring Fever	Ken Price		Nigel Price	IPC(Ivee)	5	28	28	24	24	26	26	28	50	32	32	32	78	15	15	27	93	
475	Lady Chaser	John Mansfield		Dorothy Mansfield	IPC(Ivee)	28	21	21	29	29	32	32	32	50	35	35	35	82	35	35	32	117	
529	Tik - Ink	Peter Sowden		Phillip Sowden	ICISSC	12	7	7	16	16	16	16	16	23	7	7	16	30	19	19	11	46	
561	Keaters	Colin Leigh		Andrew Leigh*	SUSC & BNSA	37	RTD	50	35	35	36	36	50	71	42	42	50	113	41	41	44	154	
562	Asterix	John Wilson		Adrian Wilson*	RSC	7	12	12	31	31	6	6	31	18	12	12	31	30	17	17	12	47	
580	Kirsty Two	David Smith		Beverley Smith	MLSC	20	36	36	21	21	13	13	36	34	34	34	36	68	21	21	25	89	
663	Sundowner	James Ferguson		Hazel Ferguson*	RSC	21	31	31	30	30	22	22	31	52	19	19	31	71	26	26	28	97	
885	Leis	Dave Morse		Andrew Morse*	SPSC	23	23	23	18	18	34	34	34	41	25	25	34	66	31	31	29	97	
888	Poxy Pace	Brian Cushing		Pat Cushing	FPSC	RTD	33	33	41	41	20	20	41	53	41	41	41	94	33	33	38	127	
888	Co Lat Dare	Alan Brown		Aligail Back*	SBSC	24	20	20	14	14	17	17	20	31	22	22	22	51	29	29	22	73	
888	Sumac	Richard Clarkson		Mark Clarkson*	SBC	DNS	22	22	4	4	DISQ	54	54	26	10	10	54	36	18	18	14	54	
949	Water Lily	Geoffrey Huett		Paul Huett*	DWSC	6	5	5	25	25	21	21	25	26	17	17	25	43	20	20	16	63	
1052	Sea Jay	Colin Palmer		Andrew Palmer	RSC	19	37	37	12	12	12	12	37	24	18	18	37	42	24	24	19	66	
1055	Pang	Herbert Catto		Alan Catto*	LSC	42	RTD	50	47	47	RTD	49	50	96	47	47	50	143	45	45	48	188	
1057	Booba	Ron Davis		Bob Burns	DWSC	W	T	H	D	R	A	W	N									208	
1067	Jacs	Charles Back		Stephen Back*	SBSC	38	RTD	50	44	44	39	39	50	83	46	46	50	129	43	43	47	172	
1113		Ernie Johnson		Liz Kyre	SSSC	11	24	24	6	6	2	2	24	8	5	5	24	13	7	7	4	20	
1289	Nenezia	Paul Fitton		David Pitton	LSC	17	RTD	50	19	19	14	14	50	33	RTD	48	50	81	11	11	26	92	
1344		Sidney Haggshaw		Mark Pruden*	RSC	35	39	39	40	40	RTD	49	49	79	43	43	49	112	39	39	45	161	
1458	Paws	Richard Faish		Nancy/Simon Faish*	SBC	16	19	19	11	11	10	10	19	21	13	13	19	34	1	1	6	342	
1555	Miss Pit	Robert Coge		Sarah Coge	WYC	RTD	14	14	RTD	50	4	4	50	18	1	1	50	182	DISQ	53	20	622	
1557	Tina Vere	Robert Ferguson		Vera Ferguson	CMSC	DNS	18	18	38	38	37	37	38	55	38	38	38	93	40	40	40	131	
1660	Blow-Bird	Geoffrey Pegg		Phillip Pegg	DWSC	RTD	50	RTD	50	RTD	50	DNS	52	100	DNS	52	52	152	DNS	52	50	204	
1669	Anaryllis	Dennis Crowe		Malcolm Crowe	RSC	22	16	16	13	13	15	15	16	28	15	15	16	43	3	3	10	46	
1766	Itas	James Atherton		Andrew Erithwaite*	LSC	32	17	17	32	32	40	40	40	49	40	40	40	89	38	38	37	127	
1785	All Seasons	Harry Prangnell		John Prangnell	FOSC	3	1	1	2	2	30	30	30	24	3	3	30	52	2	2	1	72	
1803	Kench	Simon Kings*		David Rowat	KCSC	33	25	25	36	36	35	35	36	60	31	31	36	91	30	30	34	121	

Nationals Results continued.

SAIL NO.	BOAT NAME	HELM	CREW	CLUB	1st RACE			2nd RACE			3rd RACE			4th RACE			5th RACE			
					Pos.	Pts.	Dis.	Pos.	Pts.	Dis.	Pos.	Pts.	Dis.	Pos.	Pts.	Dis.	Pos.	Pts.	Dis.	
1619	Elaise	Michael Abley	Deborah Ashley*	MLSC	38	38	26	26	9	9	38	35	26	26	38	61	36	36	30	97
1629	Harnoy	Peter Stewart	VI Stewart	IMSC	6	6	33	33	8	8	33	14	24	24	33	38	14	14	13	52
1994	Jonn	Maurice Jones	Alan Hayton*	WSC	35	35	DISQ	55	38	38	55	73	27	27	58	100	23	23	35	123
1998	Silver Lady	Peter Skilton	Elleen Waite	MLSC	4	4	27	27	24	24	27	28	23	23	27	51	34	34	24	78
1999	E.L.C.	Robert Fitzpatrick	Karen Fitzpatrick	WSC	9	34	34	9	5	5	34	14	14	14	34	28	9	9	7	37
2019	Barwego	Thomas Pearson	Sue Marlow	AMFSC	41	RTD	50	43	43	RTD	49	50	92	39	39	50	131	RTD	48	48
2026	Red Alert	Frank Jones	Kaureen Jones	LSC	34	RTD	50	39	39	33	50	72	37	37	50	189	37	37	42	146
2036	Koulo	Jonathan Smart	Jonathan Smart*	KCSC	36	42	42	34	34	18	18	42	52	36	36	42	88	32	32	33
2233	Aurora II	Stan Lubner	Dona Lubner	MLSC	RTD	9	9	3	3	1	3	9	32	2	2	9	52	6	6	3
2345	Magic One	Andrew Sawyer	Bill Sawyer	WFSO	8	3	3	5	5	7	7	7	8	9	9	15	8	8	5	23
2442	Sandpiper	Bew Reid	Maxwell Reid*	OSC	30	10	10	7	7	11	11	11	17	16	16	16	28	16	16	8
2522	Krill	Martin Allen	Margaret Shaldrake	KCSC	25	27	27	37	37	23	23	37	50	28	28	37	78	27	27	31
2588	Andrcapt Again	Andrew Daintree	Philip Daintree*	WFSO	31	RTD	50	23	23	RTD	49	50	72	29	29	50	101	25	25	36
2599	It'll Never Catch On!	Philip Twining	Richard Twining	MLSC	15	26	26	22	22	19	19	26	41	11	11	26	52	22	22	23
2613	Bertrude	Frank Beardman	Kell Catto	LSC	14	40	40	42	42	31	31	40	71	30	30	42	101	28	28	38

\* Under 18 years.

PUDDLEDUCK CHAMPIONSHIP.

ICI(Stough)SC hosted the 1979 Miracle Puddleduck Championship at Taplow Lake. This event was started last year to encourage and develop interest in racing on small lakes and gravel pits. This year's event attracted 18 entries and was held in perfect weather with a southerly Force 4 breeze accompanied by sunshine.

From the start of the first race Peter Cowden of the home club set up a strong challenge with Trevor Smith, Derek Beere and Jim Richardson all in contention. Last year's champion John Wilson of Hedditch SC recovered quickly from a poor start and worked his way through the fleet only to end up retiring after he sailed the wrong course.

Sowden meanwhile continued in a close battle to finish first just ahead of Smith while Beere just managed to overtake Richardson for third place.

COMPETITION TIME

The Committee has decided to explore the possibilities of a new car sticker for association members. £10 is being offered for the best design of either a car sticker or windscreen anti-glare strip, promoting the Miracle Association.

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In the second race Wilson was determined to set about retaining his title but Sowden had different ideas and took an early lead which he steadily increased and held to the finish ahead of Wilson, Beere and Eric Jones.

This meant Sowden had secured the title of 1979 Miracle Puddleduck champion and taken the EG Boat Gear Trophy. The third race, however, was still hotly contested as the other places were still wide open. In this race Wilson retained his honour by sailing superbly and to finish ahead of Smith, Sowden and Jones.

Overall Results:

- 1st. P. Sowden and P. Sowden.
- 2nd. J. Wilson and A. Wilson.
- 3rd. T. Smith and N. Smith.
- 4th. D. Beere and C. Shott.
- 5th. E. Jones and M. Jones.
- 6th. E. Richardson and G. Richardson.

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